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BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT
AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY,
IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS
OF ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES §§ 40-360,
et seq., FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL
COMPATIBILITY AUTHORIZING THE PALO VERDE
HUB TO NORTH GILA 500kV TRANSMISSION LINE
PROJECT, WHICH INCLUDES A 500kV TRANSMISSION
LINE AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES AND INTER-
CONNECTIONS ORIGINATING FROM EITHER THE
ARLINGTON VALLEY ENERGY FACILITY, SECTION
17, TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 6 WEST, G&SRB&M,
THE HASSAYAMPA SWITCHYARD, SECTION 15,
TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 6 WEST, G&SRB&M,
OR THE REDHAWK POWER PLANT, SECTION 23,
TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 6 WEST, G&SRB&M,
EACH LOCATED SOUTH OF INTERSTATE 10 NEAR
WINTERSBURG ROAD IN AN UNINCORPORATED
AREA OF MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, TO THE
NORTH GILA SUBSTATION, FIVE MILES NORTHEAST
OF THE CITY OF YUMA, YUMA COUNTY, ARIZONA,
AT SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 22
WEST, G&SRB&M

Docket No.
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Case No. 135

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NOTICE OF HEARING

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee ("Committee") regarding the Application of Arizona Public Service Company ("APS") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility authorizing the Palo Verde Hub to North Gila Substation 500kV Transmission Line Project ("Project") in Maricopa County and Yuma County, Arizona. The hearing will be held at the Hampton Inn and Suites, 1600 East 16th Street, Yuma, Arizona, 85365, telephone: (928) 329-5600, toll-free: (800) 426-7866, beginning on November 19, 2007, at 9:00 a.m. and continuing on November 20, 2007, at 9:00 a.m. The hearings will adjourn at approximately 5:00 p.m. Additional hearing days, if necessary, will be noticed on the Project and Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC") websites. The Project website is <http://siting.aps.com>. The ACC website is: www.azcc.gov/AZ_Power_Plant/LineSiting-Calendar.asp.

PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE TAKEN AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH HEARING DAY. PUBLIC COMMENT ALSO WILL BE TAKEN IN A SPECIAL EVENING SESSION ON NOVEMBER 19, 2007, BEGINNING AT 6:30 P.M. AT THE HAMPTON INN AND SUITES, 1600 EAST 16TH STREET, YUMA, ARIZONA, 85365.

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1 The Committee may conduct a tour of the Project area and the proposed route on a future date.
2 The map and itinerary for the tour will be available at the hearings and posted on the Project
3 website. Members of the public may follow the Committee in their own private vehicles. During
4 any tour, the Committee will not discuss or deliberate in any manner concerning the
5 Application.

6 The Project consists of approximately 110 miles of 500kV transmission line and required
7 switchyard facilities and modifications. A general location map of the Project study area and
8 Applicant's Proposed Route containing references to the Links described herein is set forth
9 below.

10 The Proposed Route originates at one of the following: the Arlington Valley Energy Facility
11 (Line Siting Case No. 98) located in Section 17, Township 1 South, Range 6 West, the
12 Hassayampa Switchyard (Line Siting Case No. 110) located in Section 15, Township 1 South,
13 Range 6 West, or the Redhawk Power Plant (Line Siting Case No. 95) located in Section 23,
14 Township 1 South, Range 6 West. The Applicant has requested that the Certificate of
15 Environmental Compatibility authorize all three of these interconnection options.

16 If the line originates at the Arlington Valley Energy Facility, the Applicant requests a 2,000-foot
17 corridor (shown as Link 40 on the attached map) 1,000 feet on either side of a centerline, which
18 proceeds east from the Arlington Valley Energy Facility along the southern edge of the north
19 half of the northeast quarter of Section 17, and turns south along the eastern edge of Sections 17,
20 20, and 29, Township 1 South, Range 6 West G&SRB&M until reaching a common point for all
21 route options, located at the eastern edge of Section 29, Township 1 South, Range 6 West
22 G&SRB&M, 130 feet north of the Southwest Power Link ("SWPL") 500kV transmission line
23 (Line Siting Case No. 52).

24 If the line originates at the Hassayampa Switchyard, the Applicant requests a 2,000-foot corridor
25 (Links 10 and 30) 1,000 feet on either side of the SWPL 500kV transmission line, centerline
26 through Sections 15, 22, 27, and 28, Township 1 South, Range 6 West G&SRB&M, proceeding
south to the common point described above.

17 If the line originates at the Redhawk Power Plant, the Applicant requests a 2,000-foot corridor
18 (Link 20) 1,000 feet on either side of the centerline, which proceeds west from the Redhawk
19 Power Plant along the northern section line of Sections 23 and 22, Township 1 South, Range 6
20 West G&SRB&M, to the beginning of Link 30, located at the midsection line of Section 22,
21 Township 1 South, Range 6 West G&SRB&M, proceeding south to the common point described
22 above.

23 All three interconnection options proceed to the beginning of Link 50, described as the common
24 point above. For Link 50, the Applicant requests a 2,000-foot corridor, which begins at the
25 centerline of the existing SWPL 500kV transmission line and extends 2,000 feet north. From
26 this location, the route proceeds generally southwest parallel to the SWPL 500kV transmission
line, with a minimum separation distance of 130 feet between existing and proposed structures
to the north of the SWPL 500kV transmission line. Much of Link 50 is within a BLM-
designated utility corridor on BLM land. Link 50 terminates at the existing North Gila
Substation located 5 miles northeast of the City of Yuma, in Section 11, Township 8 South,
Range 22 West G&SRB&M.

More complete maps, along with more detailed textual descriptions of the proposed alignments
are available in the Application itself and on the Project website. The Application, including
detailed maps of the proposed Project, is on file with the Docket Control Center of the Arizona

1 Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Suite 108, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.
2 Copies of the Application also are available for inspection at the following locations:

3 Dateland Branch Library, Avenue 64E and Interstate 8, Dateland, AZ 85333
4 Mohawk Valley School & Roll Branch Library, 5151 S. Avenue 39E, Roll, AZ 85347

5 Depending on the issues raised and the number of intervenors appearing during the hearing, the
6 Committee may deem it appropriate at some point to recess the hearing to a time and place to be
7 announced during the hearing, or to be determined after the recess. These dates and places will
8 be posted on the Project and ACC websites. At the discretion of the Committee, such resumed
9 hearing may be held at a date, time and place designated by the Committee or its Chairman.

10 **NOTE: NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING WILL BE GIVEN. PUBLISHED**
11 **NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING IS NOT REQUIRED.**

12 Each county and municipal government and state agency interested in the proposed Project and
13 desiring to become a party to the proceeding, shall, not less than ten (10) days before the date set
14 for hearing, file with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West
15 Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, a notice of its intent to be a party.

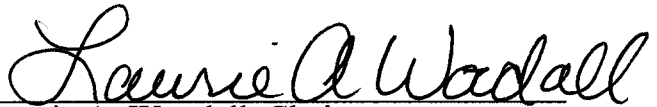
16 Any domestic, non-profit corporation or association, formed in whole or in part to promote
17 conservation of natural beauty, to protect the environment, personal health or other biological
18 values, to preserve historical sites, to promote consumer interests, to represent commercial and
19 industrial groups or to promote the orderly development of the area in which the Project is to be
20 located and desiring to become a party to the certification proceeding, shall, not less than ten
21 (10) days before the date set for hearing, file with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation
22 Commission, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, a notice of its intent to be a
23 party.

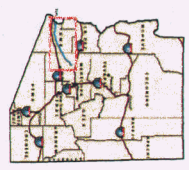
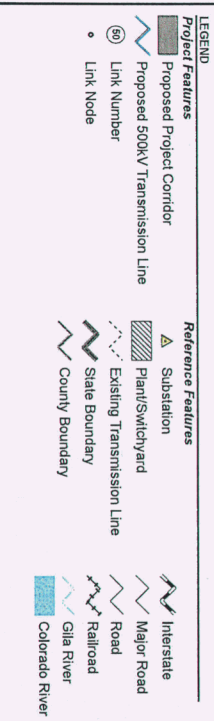
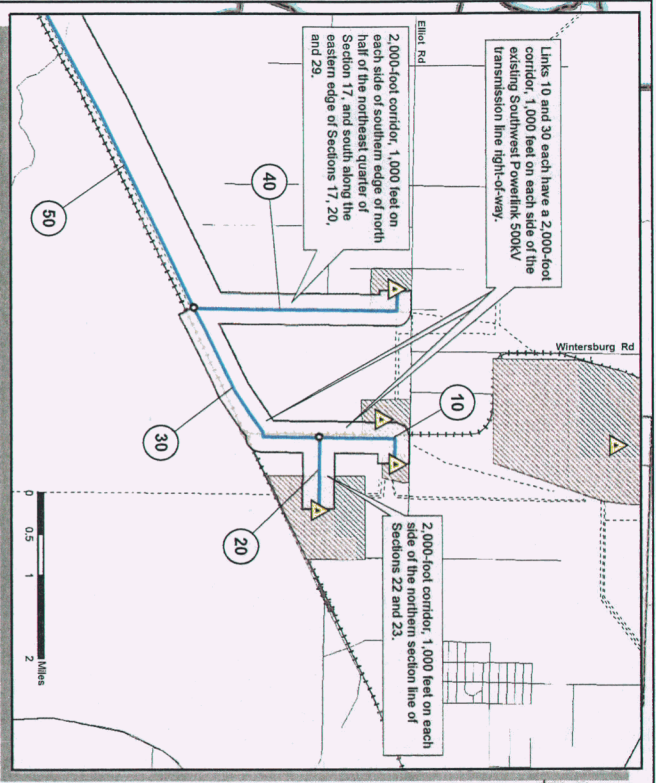
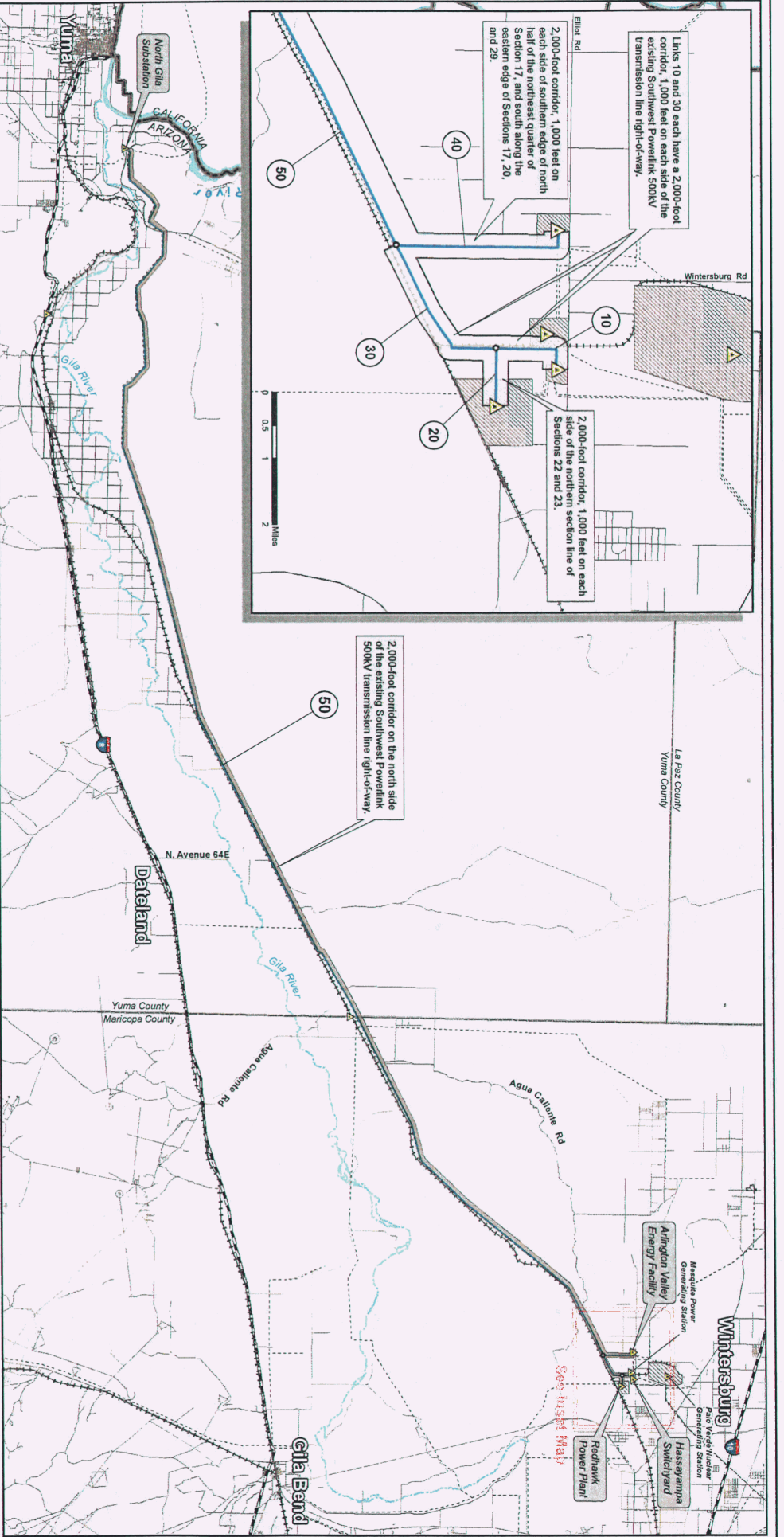
24 The Committee or its Chairman, at any time deemed appropriate, may make other persons
25 parties to the proceedings.

26 Any person may make a limited appearance at the hearing by filing a statement in writing with
the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix,
Arizona 85007, not less than five (5) days before the date set for hearing. A person making a
limited appearance shall not be a party or have the right to present testimony or cross-examine
witnesses.

This proceeding is governed by Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) §§ 40-360 to 40-360.13 and
Arizona Administrative Code Rules R14-3-201 to R14-3-220 and 14-3-113. No substantive
communication, not in the public record, may be made to any member of the Committee. The
written decision of the Committee shall be submitted to the Arizona Corporation Commission
pursuant to A.R.S. § 40-360.07. Any person intending to be a party before the Arizona
Corporation Commission must be a party to the certification proceedings before the Committee.

ORDERED this 4th day of October, 2007.


Laurie A. Woodall, Chairman
Arizona Power Plant and
Transmission Line Siting Committee
Assistant Attorney General



PALO VERDE TO NORTH GILA TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT

October 2007

Sources: BLM, 2005; EPA, 2006

CEC Corridor Map

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